

you procure for us, Stanton or Birney? or some one of
equal celebrity? — to commence operations in — October, I
think, but ~~my~~ records of the Soc. are with the Secretary.

As I have removed from Barnstable Co. my
connexion with the Society has ceased, — that is to say,
I am no longer its President. Any communication, there-
fore, wh. you may wish to make by way of reply, or to
elicit further information touching the ^{lectures} Agency had better
be directed to Rev. Samuel Williams, Brewster, Sec of Co.
Soc.

Will you have the kindness to procure a
change in the direction of my paper — "The Abolitionist"
from Brewster to Andover, and oblige, Sir,

Yours for the slave,

Benj. Drew, Jr.

Rev. A. A. Phelps,

Andover, June 25, 1839.

Wm. Brewster Jr.

(accepts)

Dear Sir,

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Yours of the inst. did not reach me until last eve it having been forwarded from Brewster. I hope that my name was made use of in the publication, as I wish to shun no responsibility which duty and conscience demand.

Your letter touching funds for support of the "Abolitionist" was duly received, — but the untoward situation of our affairs on the Cape, of wh. Mr. Williams of Brewster doubtless informed you, prevented our rendering you assistance, as we would have rejoiced to do, had it been in our power.

The people of the Cape have not taken much interest in the Great American Question. It is necessary that a lecturer should be sent there to awaken them. Public sentiment there is lamentably pro-slavery: inasmuch, that unless a lecturer of celebrity is sent, few will go to hear his arguments.

Mr. Williams, Sec. of Co. Soc. requested me to inform you, that we had voted to correspond with the Am. Soc. or its Auxiliary in y State, with the view of procuring a lecturer to take the tour of y Cape next fall. The Co. Soc. will do its utmost to support the expense of such lecturer, — but will not be able to do all. Can